UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION

This document relates to:

The County of Summit, Ohio, et al. v. Purdue

Pharma L.P., et al.

Case No. 18-op-45090

MDL No. 2804

Case No. 17-md-2804

Hon. Dan Aaron Polster

DISTRIBUTORS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A MOTION TO CERTIFY ORDER UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 1292(b) FOR INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL

Defendants AmerisourceBergen Drug Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and McKesson Corporation ("Distributors") respectfully request leave to file a motion seeking certification of the Court's December 19, 2018 Opinion and Order, ECF Doc. No. 1203 ("Order") for an immediate appeal pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1292(b). Attached hereto are Distributors' proposed motion, proposed memorandum of law in support of their motion, and a proposed order granting Distributors' motion. *See* Exs. A–C. For the reasons explained in Distributors' proposed memorandum of law, *see* Ex. B, certification of the Court's Order for an immediate appeal is warranted. An immediate appeal would materially advance the Court's stated goal of achieving a global settlement of the national prescription opiate litigation. Accordingly, Distributors request leave to file the attached motion and supporting papers.

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